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MATH 1151 QUIZ-9 (10 minutes)

1.(10 points) Prove that the area A of a triangle is given by the formula $A = \frac{a^2 \sin \beta \sin \gamma}{2 \sin \alpha}$.

Solution: Now by Sinus Law $b = \frac{a \sin \beta}{\sin \alpha}$ and $c = \frac{a \sin \gamma}{\sin \alpha}$. Also area $A = \frac{b*c*\sin \alpha}{2}$, so replacing b and c in A we see that $A = \frac{a^2 \sin \beta \sin \gamma}{2 \sin \alpha}$. **Q.E.D.**